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1. (Confidential - JMM) Talked to Bill Van Ness, Chief Counsel, Senate Interior and Insular Affairs Committee, regarding an Agency briefing of the Committee next week. Expanding on information contained in Chairman Henry Jackson's 30 November letter to the Director, Van Ness said:

a. He would expect the session to run perhaps 1 1/2 hours, with only 15 or 20 minutes of initial presentation and the rest of the time devoted to questions.

b. He does not expect questions on the technology of the petroleum industry, but we may be queried on not only the



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3. (Secret - JGO) Met with Mr. James Wilson, House Science and Astronautics Committee staff, and briefed him [REDACTED]

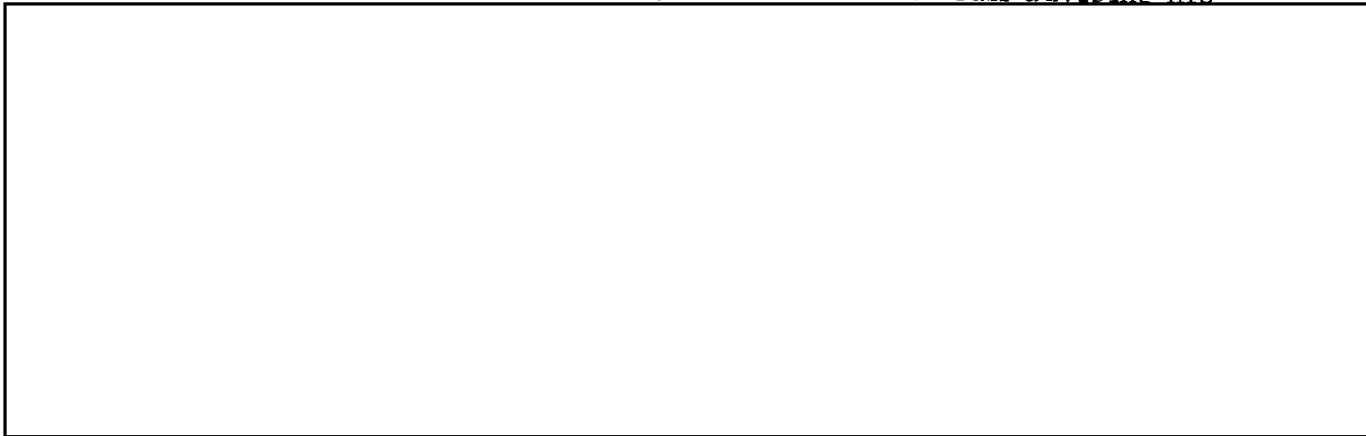
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25X1 4. (Confidential - JMM) [REDACTED] I accompanied Mr. Thomas Parrott, IC, in a two-hour meeting with Frank Slatinshek, Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, whom Mr. Parrott brought up-to-date on our recent conversations with Chairman Lucien Nedzi, Intelligence Operations Subcommittee, regarding coordination of the intelligence community. Slatinshek asked a number of questions which Mr. Parrott answered fully and candidly. Slatinshek said that Mr. Nedzi's plans to hear from White House and Defense witnesses on this subject before the end of the year had been changed since reports of Mr. Helms' retirement and he now plans to hold the hearings early next year after plans for the Agency leadership become known.

5. (Confidential - JMM) Talked to Chairman Nedzi and told him we were particularly interested in any further information he could provide regarding inquiries by Seymour Hersh of the New York Times about the intelligence community. Mr. Nedzi said he had not yet pulled together a memo on his conversation with Hersh but would give us the results as soon as he had done so.

Mr. Nedzi asked if I could throw any light on reports of Mr. Helms' retirement. I said I only knew what had been in the papers. Mr. Nedzi said he wanted me to promptly inform him as soon as I had any further information, which I promised to do.

6. (Internal Use Only - PLC) Hardy Nathan, Executive Assistant to Senator Edward Brooke (R., Mass.), called after our call advising his



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8. (Unclassified - LLM) Yesterday, Mr. Brian Harwood, Administrative Assistant to Representative Richard Mallary (R., Vt.), called and said he was quite agitated by a rebuff that a member of his staff had received by a staff member of the Appropriations Committee. Apparently in attempting to get information for a constituent on appropriations for the Agency, Mallary's staff was told "It's none of your business." A few moments of conversation appeared to completely mollify Harwood and he said we would send him some information which he could forward to the constituent which would answer some of the questions that have been raised. Harwood said that seemed to be a fine solution and that he understood that quite properly we have no say about the dealings between congressional committees and a Member's office.

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9. (Internal Use Only - LLM) [redacted] Office of Finance, called in connection with a letter that the Director of Personnel had received from the General Accounting Office requesting information on the CIA Retirement Fund. I suggested that Mr. Maury be provided a copy of the correspondence inasmuch as the GAO is an investigating arm of the Congress and any dealings with GAO in this context raises policy issues which should be determined through command lines.

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